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SUBJECT: LATVIA WILL CONSIDER US CITES PROPOSAL; MAY NOT ATTEND
CONFERENCE

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We delivered reftel demarche to Mara Rone, head of the MOE's EU and International Cooperation Division, and Vilnis Bernards of the MOE's Division of Species and Habitats Protection. The GOL will take the U.S. proposals into consideration when working on the EU common position but, according to Ms. Rone, the EU position is still under consideration at this time. Latvia, which is facing serious budget constraints, has not decided if it will send representatives to the CITES conference.